

UNITED TRADING FRONT FOR BRITISH EMPIRE IS PROPOSED; U. S. EXPORTS THREATENED

Rearing of Towering Tariff Walls Around Far-Flung Dominions Probable Outcome of Ottawa Parley.

THOUSANDS OF JOBS IN BALANCE

New Rush of 'American' Factories Across Border Will Result if England Achieves Her Goal.

By United Press
OTTAWA, Ont., July 21.—The imperial economic conference moved with precision and speed today toward a united trade front by the British empire, which, if achieved, means a serious blow at American exports.

At the opening session of the conference, Stanley Baldwin of Great Britain offered to the delegates representing the far-flung nations of the empire, comprising one-fourth of the people of the world, a "wide extension" of tariff preferences in dealing with Britain.

Premier Richard B. Bennett of Canada proposed such tariff preferences between the dominions and the mother country, and made a concrete offer to Britain of free entry for such of her products as do not interfere with Canadian enterprise.

The offer also applies to other units of the empire, although he emphasized it was not possible for the empire to trade only within itself and exclude the rest of the world.

Reads King's Message

The governor-general opened the session with a message from King George.

"You are opening a new page in history," the message said. "By co-operating combine, the conferences could stimulate not only their own, but world trade, the message continued.

The governor-general, tall, lean, morning-coated, then gave his own welcome.

Stanley Baldwin, head of the British delegation, preferred Bennett as chairman. He was supported unanimously, and Bennett offered a message to the king thanking him and wishing him and the queen long life.

The word "loyalty" was avoided, so that the Irish Free State delegation could subscribe without embarrassing the De Valera government in "its oath of allegiance fight."

Listen in Silence
This message approved, Bennett made his own speech. Delegates and galleries listened in silence. The speech was regarded as of great importance, destined to do much to guide the conference to success or failure.

Baldwin, as head of the ranking British delegation, followed Bennett. His persuasive voice contrasted with the blunt tones of the Canadian Empire co-operation. Baldwin said, was a matter of vital importance.

All countries represented, he said, are suffering from the depression. He pointed out that the principle of giving preference tariffs to empire goods had been recognized.

"Its scope was limited," he said, "but it has been a real stimulant. Under her new tariff policy Great Britain can offer a wide extension of preferences. She already has granted provision for free entry to some empire goods."

Stimulus for All

"We can deal in a wider field. Complete free trade is not possible, but any stimulus of trade will benefit all, and such stimulus is a matter of urgent importance in this depression."

Bennett and Baldwin were the main speakers, but the heads of other delegations were followed closely. No one knew where some speaker might make a startling proposal.

If the parley succeeds, there will be a new rush of American capital, American factories and, incidentally, American jobs, to Canada, to Britain, and to other parts of the empire.

Shut out of this stupendous market by preferential tariffs, vast American interests will face the alternative of either locating inside the barriers, or going out of business.

If it fails, Canada, like Great Britain, may be "driven" to seek economic understandings elsewhere, notably with the United States.

A feature of the opening ceremonies at the house of commons this morning served to illustrate how closely Canada and the United States already are bound together economically.

All in U. S. Autos

As one by one the imperial delegations arrived before the entrance to the imposing pile, they did so in American automobiles. There was not a British car in the procession.

From the glistening seven-passenger limousine carrying the former British prime minister, Stanley Baldwin, down to that bringing the humblest attache, all were American cars, made in Canadian branch plants.

Today the United States has more capital invested on this side of the border than has Britain, the mother country. It has almost twice as much. In fact, that is the rub, so far as the United States is concerned, for American factories located in Canada do not hire American labor.

Nab Fire Alarm Suspects
Investigating report of a false fire alarm, sounded at Twenty-second and New Jersey streets, police Wednesday night arrested Loyd Stout, 21, and Robert Anderson, 23, both giving addresses as city, on charges of drunkenness, disorderly conduct and pulling fire boxes.

Miss America, 1930, Dies



Miss Margaret Ekdale

By United Press
ORLANDO, Fla., July 21.—Miss Margaret T. Ekdale, Miss America of 1930, died at an Orlando hospital

today, after an emergency appendicitis operation.

The operation was reported successful, but peritonitis set in and death followed in a few hours.

Japan Denies Intent to Seize More Territory

145 CONVICTS SEEK PARDONS

Prison Trustees to Consider Cases of 7 City Men.

A 14-year-old girl, alleged to have organized a score of juvenile prisoners to attempt escape from the county juvenile detention home Wednesday, was sentenced to White's institute, girls' correctional school, for an indefinite period.

Juvenile Judge John F. Geckler, who said authorities had frustrated the jail-break plans, passed the sentence.

The account of how the girl had planned to stage a "mob attack" upon Mrs. Anna Pickard, juvenile home superintendent, and steal her keys was reported to Geckler by court officials.

"It was reported to me that she had planned to open the doors and release all children confined in the juvenile home," the judge declared, after trying the girl on charge of incorrigibility.

Evidence concerning a liquor party, attended by the girl and a youth, was given at the trial today.

She testified she had drunk liquor at the home of William and Mary Carrigan at 407 West Merrill street, June 27. She identified Herbert Ray King, of 513 South Senate avenue, as the youth who escorted her to the party.

Carrigan and his wife were found guilty and given suspended sentences of thirty days in jail and \$1 fine each.

King was released along with two other defendants, alleged to have attended the party.

WATERS SCORNS HONOR

Bonus Army Boss Refuses to Be Vice-Presidential Nominee.

By United Press

MASILLON, O., July 21.—Walter F. Waters indicated today that he would rather behead man over his bonus army in Washington than to nominate for the second highest position in the nation.

He declined a request of Jacob

Coxey that he be the vice-presidential nominee of the Farmer-Labor party, Coxey announced.

"My interests," Waters wrote Coxey, "are wholly taken up with organizing the bonus expeditionary force and furthering the work I have undertaken."

Miners Go on Strike

By United Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 21.—Six hundred miners at the Sayreton mines of the Republic Steel Corporation went on strike today in protest against the recent discharge of a mine superintendent. No violence was reported.

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THERE ought to be a law," says Senator Handout, who has been finding the pickin's poor this session, "against heads of state colleges, members of institutional boards, and the pay roll boys clutterin' up the lobby and the committee rooms."

This veteran, who puts out a laugh, is Senator Lee J. Hartzell of Ft. Wayne, Republican floor leader. He's the member with the pocket mirror, who flashes it seven or eight times an hour while reading the part in his hair.

The great Lee now is engaged in a feud with Jerome Brown, the veteran doorman of the senate.

Last session a Negro employee, J. W. Mills, forgot to pay him the respect the Republican floor leader felt to be his due. Like the elephant, Hartzell never forgot.

To his consternation, while surveying himself in his pocket mirror the other day, Lee saw the vision of Mills.

With an inarticulate cry of rage he was on his feet and bore down upon the janitor with the demand to know who had employed him.

The reply was that Brown had engaged his services and "that's why I'm here, boss."

MABEL TO KEEP MUM

By United Press

Hartzell, who heads the patronage, or plunder, committee and is cause of this control of pay roll favors in the floor leader, demanded that Brown discharge Mills and refund from his own pocket the \$27 and 25 cents paid the janitor as wages.

Brown refused and Hartzell took the floor of the senate with a motion that the doorman be paid the money paid the janitor.

Democratic Leader Walter Chambers suggested that the matter was so important that perhaps the G. O. P. members best caucus on it.

The suggestion was not heard and Hartzell's motion was voted down.

Later, Lieutenant-Governor Bush said that he was aware of the employment of Mills and had approved it.

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Vandals Damage School Hall

By United Press

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Mrs. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, who campaigned so effectively for Herbert Hoover four years ago, reaffirmed today her intentions to maintain "political silence" this year. The former assistant attorney general now is practicing law in Washington and she intends to continue this task.

Reports printed Tuesday that she intended to urge Hoover's re-election on the stump were denied in a telegram to the editor of the Philadelphia Public Ledger.

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Lupe Is Miffed About Failure to Land Part

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